

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated in the following listing of claims, which replaces all previous listings of claims.

1. (Currently Amended) An enzyme mixture comprising a first enzyme and a second enzyme, wherein said first enzyme is a DNA polymerase or reverse transcriptase, and said second enzyme is the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase identified at Accession No. P80061, except that it is mutated at an amino acid position selected from the group consisting of: Y410, T542, D543, K593, Y595, Y385, G387 and G388 and wherein said second enzyme possesses 3'-5' exonuclease activity and reduced 5'-3' DNA polymerization activity as compared to the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Previously Presented) The enzyme mixture of claim 1, wherein said first enzyme is selected from the group consisting of: Taq DNA polymerase, Tth DNA polymerase, U1Tma DNA polymerase, Tli DNA polymerase (Vent DNA polymerase), Pwo DNA polymerase, Tgo DNA polymerase, Pfu DNA polymerase, KOD DNA polymerase, JDF-3 DNA polymerase having the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO. 10, PGB-D DNA polymerase (Deep Vent DNA polymerase) and DP1/DP2 DNA polymerase.

4-9. (Cancelled)

10. (Previously Presented) The enzyme mixture of claim 1, wherein said Pfu DNA polymerase mutations are one or more amino acid substitutions selected from the group consisting of: Y410F, T542P, D543G, K593T, Y595S, Y385Q, Y385S, Y385N, Y385L, Y385H, G387S, G387P, and G388P.

11. (Previously Presented) The enzyme mixture of claim 1, further comprising a PCR enhancing factor and/or an additive.

12. (Currently Amended) A kit comprising a first enzyme, a second enzyme, and packaging material therefor, wherein said first enzyme is a DNA polymerase or reverse transcriptase, said second enzyme is the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase identified at Accession No. P80061, except that it is mutated at an amino acid position selected from the group consisting of: Y410, T542, D543, K593, Y595, Y385, G387 and G388 and wherein said second enzyme possesses 3'-5' exonuclease activity and reduced 5'-3' DNA polymerization activity as compared to the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Previously Presented) The kit of claim 12, wherein said first enzyme is selected from the group consisting of: Taq DNA polymerase, Tth DNA polymerase, U1Tma DNA polymerase, Tli DNA polymerase (Vent DNA polymerase), Pwo DNA polymerase, Tgo DNA polymerase, Pfu DNA polymerase, KOD DNA polymerase, JDF-3 DNA polymerase having the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO. 10, PGB-D DNA polymerase (Deep Vent DNA polymerase) and DP1/DP2 DNA polymerase.

15-19. (Cancelled)

20. (Previously Presented) The kit of claim 12, further comprising one or more components selected from the group consisting of: a deoxynucleotide, a reaction buffer, a PCR enhancing factor and/or an additive, a control DNA template and a control primer.

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Previously Presented) The kit of claim 12, wherein said Pfu DNA polymerase mutations are one or more amino acid substitutions selected from the group consisting of: Y410F, T542P, D543G, K593T, Y595S, Y385Q, Y385S, Y385N, Y385L, Y385H, G387S, G387P and G388P.

23. (Withdrawn; Previously Presented) A method for DNA synthesis comprising:

(a) providing an enzyme mixture, said enzyme mixture comprising a first enzyme that is a DNA polymerase or reverse transcriptase, and a second enzyme which is a mutant Pfu DNA polymerase comprising one or more mutations at amino acid positions selected from the group consisting of: D405, Y410, T542, D543, K593, Y595, Y385, G387, and G388; and

(b) contacting said enzyme mixture with a nucleic acid template, wherein said enzyme mixture permits DNA synthesis.

24. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 23, wherein said nucleic acid template is a DNA molecule.

25. (Cancelled)

26. (Withdrawn; Previously Presented) The method of claim 23, wherein said first enzyme is selected from the group consisting of: Taq DNA polymerase, Tth DNA polymerase, U1Tma DNA polymerase, Tli DNA polymerase, Pfu DNA polymerase, KOD DNA polymerase, JDF-3 DNA polymerase, PGB-D DNA polymerase and DPI/DP2 DNA polymerase.

27-29. (Cancelled)

30. (Withdrawn) A method for DNA synthesis comprising:

(a) providing an enzyme mixture, said enzyme mixture comprising a wild type Pfu DNA polymerase as a first enzyme, and a mutant Pfu DNA polymerase as a second enzyme which comprises a 3'-5' exonuclease activity and a reduced DNA polymerization activity, and

(b) contacting said enzyme mixture with a nucleic acid template, wherein said enzyme mixture permits DNA synthesis.

31. (Withdrawn) A method for TA cloning of DNA synthesis product comprising:

(a) providing an enzyme mixture, said enzyme mixture comprising a Taq DNA polymerase as a first enzyme, and a mutant Pfu DNA polymerase as a second enzyme which comprises a 3'-5' exonuclease activity and a reduced DNA polymerization activity;

(b) contacting said enzyme mixture with a nucleic acid template, wherein said enzyme mixture permits DNA synthesis to generate a synthesized DNA product; and

(c) inserting said synthesized DNA product into a TA cloning vector.

32. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 28, 30, or 31, wherein said mutant Pfu DNA polymerase comprises one or more mutations at amino acid positions selected from the group consisting of: D405, Y410, T542, D543, K593, Y595, Y385, G387, and G388.

33. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 23, wherein said mutant Pfu DNA polymerase comprises one or more mutations selected from the group consisting of: D405E, Y410F, T542P, D543G, K593T, Y595S, Y385Q, Y385S, Y385N, Y385L, Y385H, G387S, G387P, and G388P.

34. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 23, 30 or 31, wherein said reaction mixture further comprises a PCR enhancing factor and/or an additive.

35. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 32, wherein said mutant Pfu DNA polymerase comprises one or more mutations selected from the group consisting of: D405E, Y410F, T542P, D543G, K593T, Y595S, Y385Q, Y385S, Y385N, Y385L, Y385H, G387S, G387P, and G388P.

36. (Currently Amended) An enzyme mixture comprising a first enzyme and a second enzyme, wherein said first enzyme is Taq DNA polymerase, and said second enzyme is the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase identified at Accession No. P80061, except that it is mutated at an amino acid position selected from the group consisting of: Y410, T542, D543, K593, Y595, Y385, G387 and G388 and wherein said second enzyme possesses 3'-5' exonuclease activity and reduced 5'-3' DNA polymerization activity as compared to the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase.

37. (Previously Presented) The enzyme mixture of claim 36, wherein said Pfu DNA polymerase mutations are one or more amino acid substitutions selected from the group

consisting of: Y410F, T542P, D543G, K593T, Y595S, Y385Q, Y385S, Y385N, Y385L, Y385H, G387S, G387P, and G388P.

38. (Previously Presented) The enzyme mixture of claim 36, wherein said Pfu DNA polymerase is mutated at amino acid position G387.

39. (Previously Presented) The enzyme mixture of claim 36, wherein said Pfu DNA polymerase is mutated at amino acid position G387 and the resulting amino acid substitution is G387P.

40. (Currently Amended) An enzyme mixture comprising a first enzyme and a second enzyme, wherein said first enzyme is KOD DNA polymerase, and said second enzyme is the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase identified at Accession No. P80061, except that it is mutated at an amino acid position selected from the group consisting of: D405, Y410, T542, D543, K593, Y595, Y385, G387 and G388 and wherein said second enzyme possesses 3'-5' exonuclease activity and reduced 5'-3' DNA polymerization activity as compared to the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase.

41. (Previously Presented) The enzyme mixture of claim 40, wherein said Pfu DNA polymerase mutations are one or more amino acid substitutions selected from the group

consisting of: D405E, Y410F, T542P, D543G, K593T, Y595S, Y385Q, Y385S, Y385N, Y385L, Y385H, G387S, G387P and G388P.

42. (Previously Presented) The enzyme mixture of claim 40, wherein said Pfu DNA polymerase is mutated at amino acid position G387.

43. (Previously Presented) The enzyme mixture of claim 40, wherein said Pfu DNA polymerase is mutated at amino acid position G387 and the resulting amino acid substitution is G387P.

44. (Currently Amended) An enzyme mixture comprising a first enzyme and a second enzyme, wherein said first enzyme is a JDF-3 DNA polymerase having the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO. 10, and said second enzyme is the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase identified at Accession No. P80061, except that it is mutated at an amino acid position selected from the group consisting of: D405, Y410, T542, D543, K593, Y595, Y385, G387 and G388 and wherein said second enzyme possesses 3'-5' exonuclease activity and reduced 5'-3' DNA polymerization activity as compared to the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase.

45. (Previously Presented) The enzyme mixture of claim 44, wherein said Pfu DNA polymerase mutations are one or more amino acid substitutions selected from the group

consisting of: D405E, Y410F, T542P, D543G, K593T, Y595S, Y385Q, Y385S, Y385N, Y385L, Y385H, G387S, G387P and G388P.

46. (Previously Presented) The enzyme mixture of claim 44, wherein said Pfu-DNA polymerase is mutated at amino acid position G387.

47. (Previously Presented) The enzyme mixture of claim 44, wherein said Pfu DNA polymerase is mutated at amino acid position G387 and the resulting amino acid substitution is G387P.

48. (Currently Amended) A kit comprising a first enzyme and a second enzyme, wherein said first enzyme is a Taq DNA polymerase, and said second enzyme is the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase identified at Accession No. P80061, except that it is mutated in at least one amino acid position selected from the group consisting of Y410, T542, D543, K593, Y595, Y385, G387 and G388 and packaging material therefor, and wherein said second enzyme possesses 3'-5' exonuclease activity and reduced 5'-3' DNA polymerization activity as compared to the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase.

49. (Currently Amended) A kit comprising a first enzyme and a second enzyme, wherein said first enzyme is a KOD DNA polymerase, and said second enzyme is the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase identified at Accession No. P80061, except that it is mutated in at least one

amino acid position selected from the group consisting of D405, Y410, T542, D543, K593, Y595, Y385, G387 and G388 and packaging material therefor, and wherein said second enzyme possesses 3'-5' exonuclease activity and reduced 5'-3' DNA polymerization activity as compared to the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase.

50. (Currently Amended) A kit comprising a first enzyme and a second enzyme, wherein said first enzyme is a JDF-3 DNA polymerase having the sequence shown in SEQ ID NO. 10, and said second enzyme is the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase identified at Accession No. P80061, except that it is mutated in at least one amino acid position selected from the group consisting of: D405, Y410, T542, D543, K593, Y595, Y385, G387 and G388 and packaging material therefor, and wherein said second enzyme possesses 3'-5' exonuclease activity and reduced 5'-3' DNA polymerization activity as compared to the wild type Pfu DNA polymerase.

51. (Previously Presented) The kit of claim 48, 49, or 50, wherein said kit further comprises a reagent selected from the group consisting of: dNTPs, reaction buffer, primer, and DNA enhancing factor.